IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 35, line 4, with the following

amended paragraph:

FIG. 8 shows an operation flow chart performed in the client computer 7 which acts

as an image forming apparatus in this case. This processing is performed based on the above-

mentioned image processing program by the CPU 31. First, the CPU 31 in the client

computer 7 selects the reversible code 42 in JPEG 2000 from the server computer 6 via the

communication interface 39, and then, the code 42 is sent from the server computer 6 to the

client computer 7 and is stored in the magnetic storage device 34 (storing step) same as in the

above-mentioned first specific example. After that, the user can execute a predetermined

editing/modifying operation on the image in the form of the code 42 thus stored in the

magnetic storage device 34 after selecting the code 42 from the storage device 34 (Yes in

Step S11). Specifically, when the user operates the input device 35 and selects execution of

editing/modifying operation on the code 42 (Yes in Step S12) (selecting step), and also, the

user operates the input device 35 and selects 'processing in the own apparatus (client

computer 6² (server computer 6) (Yes in Step S13), processing in Steps S15 through S22 is

performed. Since the processing in Steps S15 through S22 is same as the processing S3

through S10 described above with reference to FIG. 5, the duplicated description is omitted.

On the other hand, when the user operates the input device 35 and selects execution of final

editing/modifying operation on the code 42 (Yes in Step S12) (selecting step), and the user

does not select 'processing in the own apparatus (client computer 6² (server computer 6) (No

in Step S13), the reversible code 42 in JPEG 2000 is output to the printer 9 together with the

instructions 44 indicating the contents of the editing/modifying operation which will then be

performed by the user on the client computer 7, in Step S14.